

(e) Manufacturers shall retain the records required by paragraph (d)(1) of this section for at least 60 months.

(f) Upon request, manufacturers shall make available to the inspector or to the Commandant records of tests conducted by the manufacturer and records of materials entering into construction, including affidavits by suppliers certifying that applicable requirements are met.

§ 164.019-17 Recognized laboratory.

(a) *General.* A laboratory may be designated as a recognized laboratory under this subpart if it is—

(1) Accepted by the Coast Guard as an independent laboratory under subpart 159.010 of this subchapter; and

(2) Established in the inspection of factory production, listing, and labeling, by having an existing program and standards for evaluation, listing, and marking components, that are acceptable to the Commandant.

(b) *Designated recognized laboratories.* A current listing of recognized laboratories is available from the Commandant upon request.

Subpart 164.023—Thread for Personal Flotation Devices

SOURCE: CGD 84-068, 58 FR 29497, May 20, 1993, unless otherwise noted.

§ 164.023-1 Scope.

This subpart contains performance requirements, acceptance tests, and production testing and inspection requirements for thread used in the construction of personal flotation devices (PFDs) approved under part 160 of this subchapter. Manufacturers must also comply with the requirements of subpart 164.019 of this chapter.

§ 164.023-3 Specifications and standards incorporated by reference.

(a) Certain materials are incorporated by reference into this subpart with the approval of the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. To enforce any edition other than the one listed in paragraph (b) of this section, notice of change must be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the material made available to the public. All

approved material may be inspected at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), and at Coast Guard Headquarters. Contact Commandant (CG-ENG-4), Attn: Lifesaving and Fire Safety Division, U.S. Coast Guard Stop 7509, 2703 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20593-7509. The material is also available from the sources indicated in paragraph (c) of this section. For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202-741-6030, or go to: http://www.archives.gov/federal_register/code_of_federal_regulations/ibr_locations.html.

(b) The materials approved for incorporation by reference in this subpart, and the sections affected are:

FEDERAL STANDARDS AND TEST METHOD STANDARDS

The following test methods in Federal Test Method Standard No. 191A, Textile Test Methods, July 20, 1978:

- (1) Method 4010, Length-Weight Relation; Thread; Yards Per Pound (m/kg)—164.023-11.
- (2) Method 4100, Strength and Elongation, Breaking; and Tenacity; of Thread and Yarn; Single Strand—164.023-7.
- (3) Method 5804, Weathering Resistance of Cloth; Accelerated Weathering Method—164.023-7.

FEDERAL SPECIFICATIONS

- (4) V-T-285E—Thread, Polyester, August 21, 1986—164.023-5.
- (5) V-T-295E—Thread, Nylon, August 1, 1985—164.023-5.

MILITARY SPECIFICATIONS

- (6) MIL-T-43548C—Thread, Polyester Core: Cotton-, Rayon-, or Polyester-Covered, September 30, 1986—164.023-5.
- (7) MIL-T-43624A—Thread, Polyester, Spun, January 22, 1982—164.023-5.

(c) The Federal standards may be obtained from the General Services Administration, Federal Acquisition Service, Office of the FAS Commissioner, 2200 Crystal Drive, 11th Floor, Arlington, VA 22202; 703-605-5400. Military Specifications and Standards, Standardization Documents Order Desk, Building 4D, 700 Robbins Avenue,